On behalf of myself and many of my concerned flight attendant peers, please do not allow cell phone usage onboard aircraft during flight. Our onboard safety/security roles must not be compromised by allowing cell phone usage during flight, particularly during emergency preparation and the communication of critical information to passengers! Being enclosed in a pencil-shaped metal tube for any amount of time, mixed with the lower levels of oxygen, along with the varied degrees of human temperaments already presents a potential sensitive environment. IF cell phone usage is then added to this mix would only result in a negative fashion! Please keep our working/travel environment a safe one and keep cell phone usage on ground level only. Thanks for the opportunity to express my concerns. Much appreciated! A VERY CONCERNED NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT ATTENDANT